

HOUSE AGREES TO REINFORCE PYLE THREE FIFTHS PAY

Cuts Down Allowance
Made in Bill Which
Passed Senate.

PENSION WEDGE FEARED BY SOME

Sharp Wrangle Over Speaker's
Suggestion That Governor's
Recommendations Be Incorporated in
Senate Works All Day
on Game Legislation.

After two hours of debate the House of Delegates yesterday adopted a pension bill for the optional retirement of judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals, the measure passed by the Senate being so amended as to make the retirement optional for the judges. The contest was merely waged by those who looked upon this as the entering wedge for a general pension act for all judges, and possibly for all State employees. The act is optional with each judge, who may take advantage of the offer of retirement on reaching seventy years of age, after having served for twelve consecutive years on the Supreme Bench.

While all of the speakers agreed as to the high character and integrity of the present Court of Appeals, there were those who asserted that within the past few years the opinions have not had the same clearness and attention that was given them by these same judges some years ago.

Allows Three-Fifths Pay.
Speakers who desired to avoid personal references to the present court, but whose opinions lacked certainty in their later years, who have more than once been reversed. It was stated that attorneys practicing in the courts to-day hesitate to cite as precedents the decisions of the present court, and that the House should not do so. The Senate passed the bill allowing retirement on four-fifths pay. The House changed this to three-fifths, and further provided that the rate should be fixed at the rate of 1912, which makes the pay of Supreme Court judges hereafter \$5,000 a year, thus making the retirement allowance \$3,000 a year. Four of the five judges of the Supreme Court have been on the bench since 1895, when the old Reister court went out of office and a new bench was selected by a Democratic General Assembly. The committee on the subject already announced his determination to retire at the end of his present term, February 1, 1915. The term of Judge Keith expires in 1917 and that of Judge Harrison in 1919.

Primary Bill Debated.
There was a good deal of heat, not to say temper, in the debate before the House yesterday morning over a suggestion to make the primary bill optional for the voters. The suggestion of Governor Stuart. The suggestion that some of the party leaders did not want a real primary law that would make election frauds a serious offense. The committee was endeavoring to use the good points of certain bills introduced without giving credit to the men who offered them. Speaker Cox left the responsibility of making an engagement with the Governor, which reported what is known as the Browning primary bill last week, prepare and report to the House on Monday. The committee was endeavoring to carry out the recommendations of the Governor. Judge Williams, chairman of the Privileges and Elections Committee, was promptly on his feet when the committee reported. He worked hard, he said, and had produced a bill that was in almost all respects "on all fours" with the recommendations of the Governor, sent in by him under the seal of the committee. He had never heard of a committee being instructed to report a matter it might not approve of, and if that were to be the practice, he said he would prefer to resign his position.

Land Visits Governor Stuart.
Delegate Land, as chairman of the subcommittee which drew the committee primary bill, said that he had assumed the responsibility of making an engagement with the Governor for a consultation as to amendments to the pending bill. Mr. White thought it a most unusual thing to have a committee report on amendments to a bill already reported by the committee. He said that the committee was himself the author of a primary bill which the committee had not seen fit to report, but which carried almost every provision of the primary bill of Governor Stuart. Mr. White took sharp issue with the statement that the committee bill was "on all fours" with the message of the Governor.

"There is a difference," he pointed out, "as to the appointment of elective officers. The committee bill provides no machinery for canvassing the returns; it has no provision for a preference notice as the Governor reported. It does not specify that a notice of candidacy must be signed by a reasonable number of voters; it fixes no definite time for holding primaries, and makes no provision for declaration of party affiliation."

After the debate the storm blew by when Mr. Cox changed his resolution to a mere "request" to the committee, which was adopted.

Senate Working on Game Bill.
The Senate spent the day in discussion of the Hart-White game bill. A number of sections, including the creation of the office of State Game Commissioner, were tentatively agreed to, but there had no final action at the hour of adjournment.

Somewhat delayed by the long-drawn-out debates of the morning, Mr. Montague called up his bank bill, and spent some time explaining a series of amendments, most of which were mere corrections of the text. Objections were made to the bill, but the committee on the bank making the sole liability on the bank making the error or first payment, and to the amendment striking out the four-year term of the bank.

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ATTEMPT TO REMOVE PYLE

Alleged That He Is Wrecking National Life Association.
Des Moines, Iowa, February 23.—Action against Henry Pyle, president and general manager of the National Life Association, Des Moines, to-day was brought in a petition filed in the District Court here by Attorney Cossin, in which he asked the court to remove Pyle from office and appoint a capable person to fill the vacancy.

Henry E. Sampson, Assistant Attorney General, in charge of the case, announced that the State had a legal reserve on hand sufficient to protect the policy-holders, and that the purpose of the action was to remove Pyle "in order to protect the members of the association."

The State charged that the general expense fund had been greatly overdrawn, and that the mortuary losses had increased more rapidly than the funds to care for them, as the result of policy being diverted to private accounts of the defunct and members of his family.

The National Life Association, a mutual concern, began business in 1901. It operates in twenty-nine States, and according to its officials, has \$35,000,000 worth of policy in force.

President Pyle late to-day issued a statement in which he denied the charges contained in the petition of Cossin's petition, and asked the public to withhold judgment pending hearing of the case.

UP TO CONGRESS TO DECIDE

James M. Curley, of Boston, Wants to Hold Two Jobs.
Washington, February 23.—Whether James M. Curley, Mayor of Boston, and on the rolls of Congress as a representative from Massachusetts, should hold both offices to-day was squarely put before Congress by a Republican leader. Mr. Curley, who is a member of the House of Representatives, is a member of the House of Representatives, and is a member of the House of Representatives.

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Redfield Denies that Unusual Number of Deaths.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Wheeling, W. Va., February 23.—In an address delivered here to-night by Secretary of the State of West Virginia, Mr. Redfield, it was stated that conditions are normal in the State of West Virginia. That city is spending several hundred dollars in the city of Wheeling, and is spending several hundred dollars in the city of Wheeling.

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EIGHT WOMEN ON BALLOT

Chicago Suffragists Seek Place on Board of Aldermen.
Chicago, February 23.—The names of eight women candidates for aldermanic positions in the city of Chicago were to be voted at to-morrow's primary election, the first chance women have had to vote in the city of Chicago since the Legislature granted them the right of suffrage.

MONOPOLY IN RADIUM

Committee Is Told That Present Price Is Exorbitant.
Washington, February 23.—Present prices of radium are exorbitant, monopolistic conditions prevail in the industry, and the Government should take action to control the industry, and to prevent the use of radium for the purpose of making money.

SHE WEARS KNEE KNOT

Mrs. Longworth Sets Example for Fashion to Follow.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, February 23.—Mrs. Nicholas Longworth has introduced a new fashion in dress, which she is wearing on most of her gowns. The knot is copied by the many women who are in the city of Washington, and is a new fashion in dress.

GOVERNMENT SUSTAINED

Given Overwhelming Vote of Confidence by Chamber.
Paris, February 23.—The French Chamber of Deputies to-day adopted by 285 to 26, a vote of confidence in the Government, based on an interpretation of the law of the French troops. From numbers of the French troops, from numbers of the French troops, from numbers of the French troops.

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Many Prominent Delegates.

Among those of national repute who arrived yesterday are Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, whose appointment to the superintendence of the Chicago schools has occasioned much discussion; Dean Russell, G. D. Streeter, E. L. Thorndike and W. E. Kilpatrick, of Columbia University; Dean C. S. Parker, Dr. C. H. Judd, Dr. R. L. Layman, of the University of Chicago; Dr. J. N. Greenwood, superintendent of the Kansas City schools; Ben Blewett, Superintendent of Instruction in St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Josephine Preston, State Superintendent of the State of Washington; Alvan F. N. M.; Robert J. Aley, president of the University of Maine, and many others.

Some Leading Topics.

While the Department of Superintendence is the main branch of the association, and will hold meetings every day, there are numerous other branches which will be meeting constantly to consider matters that no one body could separately and in detail. The whole subject of education is being treated broadly, and numerous technical questions ranging through the whole gamut of child and adult upbringing and training will be considered separately and in detail.

Welfare of Rural Life.

"The welfare of our country," he said, "depends upon no factor more indispensable, more vital than the welfare of rural life. The rural school is the only agency for the improvement of rural life. These influences of the rural school affect not only methods of agriculture, but all phases and standards of the life of the people—physical, mental, social and moral."

Ohio Is Hard Hit.

Columbus, Ohio, February 23.—Trains stalled at numerous points throughout the State, trains abandoned in some instances, train arrivals ranging from three to seven hours late, and street car and interurban traffic seriously impeded, where trolley traffic had not been abandoned, to-night were some of the conditions reported.

Appreciation!

"A few years ago I read a New York newspaper and a Washington newspaper, but now I read only The Times-Dispatch, for I find it covers the news of the whole country."

This is the message that one of the readers of The Times-Dispatch sent this office on yesterday.

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Wide Area Covered by Snow, Wind and Low Temperature.

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Trains Caught in Drifts, Communication Cut Off, and Poor Are Suffering Intensely—East But Little Better Off, but Relief Is Promised by Weather Bureau.

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